

## Vermont Daily Transcript.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24, 1868.

## New Articles of Impeachment.

The irrepressible Thad. Stevens not content with the result of the recent impeachment trial, has prepared new articles of impeachment which he thinks will "hang fire." They are four in number and are of course elaborately drawn up. The first article impeaches President Johnson for a high misdemeanor in violating the constitution of the United States by making provisional governments in the Southern States without the consent of the Congress. The second impeaches him for usurpation of the pardoning power both in cases of Rebels and of deserters from the Union army, whom he pardoned for the special purpose of enabling them to cast their votes at a pending election in a loyal State. The third impeaches him for a high crime in using the patronage of his office to obstruct the laws of Congress in the Southern States. The fourth and last impeaches him for a corrupt use of the patronage of his office in the elections which have taken place within the last three years in the various States of the Union.

The *Tribune's* correspondent says that Mr. Stevens has spent a great deal of his time and labor in the preparation for this new attempt at impeachment, which has gone all over the investigations which were made in the first attempt at impeachment, and over those of the late trial as well, and from them he has formed a new indictment. It is not expected that a vote can be secured on these articles during the session, but they will be brought up early next session by Mr. Stevens.

Impeachment it seems to us has about "played out," and Mr. Stevens had better not attempt to revive the subject again. There are thousands who would rejoice at the conviction and removal of Mr. Johnson, but they do not want another trial, for they fear it will end as the first did, in a miserable failure.

## Various Sayings.

Every Saturday says: Charles Reade's new work, *Foul Play*, is published in three volumes in London. The American edition issued under the auspices of the author, is in one neat octavo pamphlet, and sells for about one fifth of the price attached to the English issue. The work is a great success on both sides of the Atlantic.

We are told, by Mr. Matthew Arnold and others, says the *London Review*, that the literary attitude of the present age is wholly critical. Such being the case, it seems a pity that we have so little criticism worth looking at.

The *London morning Post* recently ended a long account of a fashionable wedding with the following sentence: "The lockets worn by the bridesmaids, seven in number, were 18 carat gold, machine made, with the initials 'L' and 'V.' in red, white and blue enamel in relief on one side, and on the reverse side a 'leek' in enamel, symbolical of Wales, and were manufactured by Mr. —, of Dash street, Blank street." Whereupon the *Pull Mail Gazette* observes: "If this sort of thing goes on, we shall presently read such paragraphs as the following: 'The member for Athlone wore a massive Albert chain and Balmoral studs, supplied by Messrs. Flummery and Puff, the eminent jewellers, and goldsmiths of Thumpington street;' or that Mr. Disraeli, in rising to support the motion of the honorable member of Birmingham, looked remarkably well in his new suit manufactured by Mr. Augustus Chepmann, sole inventor and patentee of the new Guinea Compound Household trousers,' and so forth."

"The execution of Barrett," says the *Saturday Review*, "marks the final extinction of one of the most popular of our ancestors' amusements. Hanging in public has gone the way of Bartholomew Fair, and has died of the same disease. The blackguard element has become so strong in the crowd of spectators that it is thought better to have no spectators at all. Few people will regret the abolition of any spectacle which can attract upon one spot as hideous a collection of human beings as any city in the world can show; and those who regret it least who hold, with Mr. Mill, that punishment by death is at once the most merciful and most efficient way of dealing with our worst criminals. If capital punishment necessarily implied the gathering together of the brutal mob which polluted the neighborhood of Newgate on hanging mornings, it would certainly be an argument against retaining the punishment. Having made the discovery, however, that we can hang people without sending an official invitation to all the roughs, thieves, and burglars of London to honor us with their company, we have removed one of the chief sentimental objections to hanging."

It is stated that an astrologer of the Isle of Wight has petitioned the House of Commons to repeal the old law by which all who practiced astrology are liable to be taken up as vagrants. He may thank his stars that his own case has not been investigated.

Have you seen Franks Chromo? "Old Oaken Bucket," "Falconer and Bride," at H. Livingston & Sons.

## Our Foreign Correspondence.

PARIS, June 24, 1868.

The continued attitude of mutual hostility between France and Prussia is sure to provoke a war between the two nations at no very distant period. Bismarck has, indeed, at the present moment, sufficient cause for demanding an explanation from the French Government on account of an act of indiscretion committed by one of its ministers a few days ago. But the Prussian Minister probably refers to the responsibility of commencing hostilities, which is likely to hang over much distress and calamity over a great proportion of Europe, no matter what the final issue of the conflict would be. The provocation I refer to and which could at least be construed into an insult by our neighbors beyond the Rhine, was lately offered by General Duerat, Commander at Strasbourg, who rode in rather demonstrative fashion over the bridge, which unites the French to the German bank of the Rhine. Surrounded by the officers of his staff, he appeared to be so anxious to reach German soil, that in his hurry he very nearly rode over the first Baden sentinel he met. Arrived on the other side, he stationed himself in front of the small *de pont*, that defends the bridge, and commented upon its defenses with many a sneer that attracted the attention and wounded the feelings of the passers by. This act of bravery was committed a few weeks ago, and did not appear to be considered sufficiently important by the German press, for being commented upon to any extent. But lately that same brave General has embarked in boats and inspected the German bank of the Rhine for considerable distance from Bieining, downwards, mapping every town and reach in the river. At any other time, this brave and daring feat of the French general would have excited more laughter than anger, but at this moment both French and Prussians are extremely touchy on the subject of their strong places, and an act of that description, committed by a high functionary of either Government is sufficient to call forth the combats by hundreds of thousands and to throw both countries into new confusion and calamity. The attitude of moderation observed by the Cabinet of Berlin, therefore deserves honorable mention, while the occurrence shows the feeling of jealousy against Germany, and anger which French officials are animated with, and, no doubt, encouraged in, from high quarters. The French press has lately worked itself into a high pitch of exercise on account of the reported intention of Prussia to occupy Landau, a Bavarian fortress, but which, according to the military conventions stipulated between that power and the South German States, Prussia acquired a right to govern, in certain contingencies. This convention was entered into on the eve of the treaty of Prague, and as France was a party neither to the said treaty nor to the contemporaneous conventions, Prussia is determined to look upon them as concerning Germany alone. France must by this time, feel convinced that any disposition on her part to make those transactions subjects for international discussion will be resented by all the German States as an encroachment upon their common independent rights. It is not therefore advisable for the French Government to venture upon a quarrel, in which it would certainly enlist no one's sympathies, nor does it appear wholesome for Napoleon in another point of view to engage in a useless war, which would add new burdens on his subjects and only serve to alienate the already much reduced number of sympathizers and admirers, he has within his own dominions. It is a notorious fact, first set forth by McMahon a few months ago and now repeated with comments and mathematical proofs that the present administration of Napoleon III has levied more taxes and raised more loans within the period of its existence than any other republican or royal administration of France or any other country would have ventured upon. In an able article on the financial operations and tendency of the Second Empire, the *Revue des Deux Mondes*, a semi-monthly paper of the highest standing sets forth all the sums, which the Government has borrowed, applying the word "borrow" not merely to direct loans, but to every money proceeding that will weigh on the future for the profit of the present. After a careful enumeration of all the items, which it would lead me too far in this letter even to condense, the writer, in adding up all the sums thus expended declares that the total of the extraordinary resources absorbed by the Imperial Government, over and beyond the produce of the constantly increasing taxation, is the immense sum of 4,322,000,000 francs or 8644 millions of dollars in gold. Under those circumstances a hostile aggression on the part of the French Government would be little short of madness and would only serve eventually to undermine the foundation of the French Empire and perhaps end in the complete overthrow of the Napoleonic dynasty.

RELEASED ON BAIL.—John H. Surratt was discharged on Monday under the indictment of murder, the jury having failed some time ago to convict him. He is still liable to be tried for conspiracy under a new indictment, pending which he has been released on bail.

## Political.

Daniel D. Pratt, the Republican in the Eighth District of Vermont, is six feet six inches in height and weighs about four hundred pounds.

The Republicans of Addison County held their Convention to-day to nominate the usual County officers. It is stated that Gov. Seymour of New York is preparing an address to the democracy of the country, which he will soon publish, and in which he will renew his former declaration to be a candidate for the presidency. He will also probably indicate his preference as to the man whom the party should select for that position.

Major Wm. Wirt Carter, Republican candidate for Congress in the Fifth Indiana (Hunter's) District, against whom Dan Voorhees threatens to run, is well known throughout the District as an effective public speaker, and will undoubtedly make a strong canvass. Major Carter of the Dist. In every position, in civil or military life, which he has been called to fill, he has acquitted himself with distinguished honor.

The New York correspondent of the *Philadelphia Ledger* says in his last letter: "Hendricks' stock is said to be up to-day. Some prominent Democrats who have been leaning to Chase have gone over to him, as yet, all the only man that is likely to unite all the elements of the party. The New York delegation will be a unit for Hoffman as Vice. You may rely upon that."

Ben. Wood's organ, the *New York Sunday News* is speaking of the Chase movement, says: "To suppose it could have been successful was to believe that there is neither principle nor patriotism in the hearts of the Democratic masses of the country, nor brains in the heads of their leaders."

The following is from the Washington correspondent of the *Louisville Journal*:

"Mr. Chase talks freely of the political situation. He is visited just now by more professional politicians than the President himself, and though the Chase movement may be regarded as a sensation, yet the politicians consider it safe to keep up close relations with the possible 'coming man.' The Chief Justice on his part is a person of fact and judgment, who knows how to handle delicate transactions. In conversation at a dinner party, a day or two ago, an old line Democrat said to him: 'How do you feel, Judge, in the company you are keeping at the present time?'

"I feel," said he, 'like a man who has been traveling in foreign countries, improving his view of society, returned once more to the original fold.'

"But, do you feel at home?"

"Why shouldn't I? The Democratic party has gotten round very nearly to the point where I left it. It is the conservative force of the nation; and if it were liberalized a little it would inevitably absorb everything that is not radical."

"What do you mean by liberalized?"

"In respect to its organic discipline. Upon its constitutional theories, its view of State rights, and its opposition to radical measures, thousands of Republicans agree with it. Let it remit all local questions to the States, suffer negro suffrage to become an incident as it is, open its doors wide to new comers, not new converts, and it would be a stronger, purer and better party than it was in its happiest days."

## Lager Beer.

BY JOSH BILLINGS.

I have finally come to the conclusion that lager beer as a beverage is not intoxicating.

I have been told so by a German who said he had drunk it all night long, just to try the experiment, and was obliged to go home entirely sober in the morning. I have seen this same man drink sixteen glasses, and if he was drunk he was drunk in German and nobody could understand it. It is proper enough to state that this man kept a lager beer saloon, and was not strictly teetotal.

I believed him to the full extent of my ability. I never drank but three glasses of lager in my life, and that made me endow as the it was hanging on the end of a string, but I was told that it was owing to my bile being out of place; and I guess that it was so, for I never biled over wuss than I did when I got him that nite. My wife that I was gain tew die, and I wuss afraid I shouldn't, for it did seem as tho everything I had ever eaten in my life wuz cummin tew the surface; and I do really believe that if my wife hadn't pulled off my boots just as she did they would have cum thunderrin up too.

O! how sick I wuz! 14 years ago, and I can taste it now.

I never had so much experience in so short a time.

If enny man shud tell me that lager beer wuz not intoxicating, I should believe him; but if he shud tell me that I wuzn't drunk that nite, but that my stummick was out of order, I shud ask him to state over a few words, jest how a man felt and acted when he wuz well set up.

If I wuzn't drunk that nite, I had some of the most natural simptoms that a man ever had and kept sober.

In the first place it was about 80 rod from where I drunk the lager beer to my house, and I was thus over 2 hours on the road, and had a hole busted through each one of my pantaloons neez, and didn't have my hat, and tried to open the door by the bell-pull, and hickupped awfully, and saw everything in the room to trying get round on the back side of me; and in settin down in a chair, I didn't wait long enough for it to get exactly under fire, when it was going round, and I set down a little to soon and missed the chair about 12 inches, and couldn't get up soon enough to take the next one that cum along; and that ain't aw!; my wife sed I wuz as drunk as a bear, and as I sed before, I begun to spin up things freely.

If lager beer is not intoxicating, it used me most almighty mean, that I know.

Still I hardly think that lager beer is intoxicating, for I have ben told so; and I am probably the only man living who ever drank any when his liver was not drunk.

I want to say ennything agin temperance beverages, but I can't any more, it will be with me behind me, and my pen.

I think lager beer is intoxicating. I remember, rite, I think it tastes like a glass of soap suds, that a pickle had been put tew soak in.

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